



DCM MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT GROUP BRIEFING

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MA TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT GROUP

1101 Team Leader GS-13

1910 Quality Assurance GS-12

* 1910 (In-bound) Quality Assurance GS-12

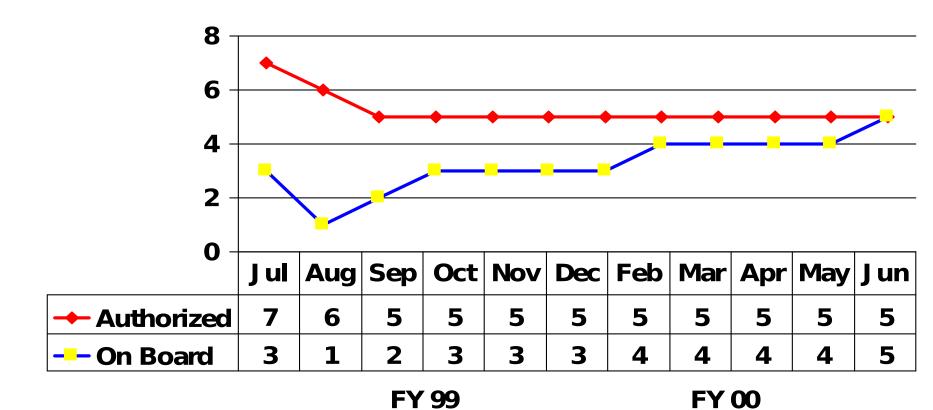
1102 (Augmenting) Contract Specialist GS-12

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^{*} In-bound will sit on a double-billeted position. First 1910 selectee has been in security adjudication process since Sep 99.



RESOURCES





HOW DO THEY DO IT?

TAKE OWNERSHIP - TAG POCs ID by.....

- Service Sets
- PLAS Categories
- Performance Goals
- Tasking Memorandums
- Automated Information Systems

TAG TEAM

- Augment from Ops & Staff
- Borrow from across the Land

RISK-BASED MANAGEMENT

DCMATAG Recommended Structure

1101	Team Leader		GS-13
* 1910	Commodity-specific		GS-12
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* 1102	Warrantable	GS-12	
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GS-11

Recommendation

^{*} Double-Billeted Position & Filled by Open-continuous Announcement



IAG Matrixed-In Support

1103		PA (Lead)		GS-12
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1102		Pricing		GS-12
018		Safety	GS-13	
1101		BPA	GS-13	
343		ВМА	GS-9	



<u>Objectives</u>

- Continuously Improve Processes
- Perform Risk and Resource Assessments
- Ensure Consistent Application of Policies
- Monitor Actual vs. Planned Performance
- Provide Technical Analysis of CAO Data
- Coordinate Data Calls, Taskings & Inquiries
- Perform/Coordinate Specialized Training



Core Processes

- Resource Assessments
- Unit Self-Assessments (USA)
- Management Control Reviews (MCR)
- Annual Statement of Assurance (ASA)
- Data Integrity & Metrics Compliance
- Augmentation of Operations Teams
- Management of Tasking Memorandums
- Policy Implementation & Interpretation
- IT Systems Deployments & Upgrades



TAG OPERATIONS PLANS

- DCMC Memo No. 97-26 is our guiding light.....
 - Provides the organizational structure of TAG
 - Defines the mission & functions of TAG
- Clearly establish TAG roles & responsibilities by appointing POCs by Processes, Projects & Policies
- Exec. Council defines CAO Goals & Team Objectives
- Insure CAO goals are executed at the Team Level



TAG OPERATIONS PLANS

- Use Proven Resource Assessment Model to insure effective FTE utilization
- Ensure TAG Team understands the entire IMS process and what role they play
- Routine BPA/BMA Metrics & PLAS Analysis help insure targets are met and Unit Costs are in check
- Progress of Performance Goals are monitored & root cause analysis is conducted as necessary
- Assist Teams with Performance Goal Planning



TAG OPERATIONS PLANS

- Risk Assessment Tool is used to determine risk at the process level
- Use Risk-based analysis to conduct MCRs
- Results of MCRs drive SOPs & other process improvements
- Results of all Reviews are used to provide timely Feedback & provide inputs into the USA
- Monthly self-evaluations/sanity checks
- Frequent Meetings w/Ops Teams provides valuable insight into workload



CHALLENGES

- Short Tour
- Multiple Visitors
- High Turnover Rate
- Time & Distance Factors
- Resource Pool for the M.E.
- Back-to-back System Deployments



District Questions

- 1. Overall Effectiveness of TAG?
 - Limited but expanding effectiveness
 - IT and resourcing issues impact TAG effectiveness
 - Ops and TAG Chiefs mutually supportive of Mission goals
- 2. How do you ensure/elicit cooperation between operational elements and the Tag?
 - Buy-in from Leadership
 - Execution through the Executive Council
- 3. How is the Annual Travel Budget allocated to TAG and how is it used? Inputs provided to Management and are based on Assessment Schedules, new initiatives, and training requirements
 - MCRs performed on High Risk processes throughout the CAO
 - Resource Assessment conducted annually to determine FTEs



TAG/BPA Consolidation

- Pros for Consolidation
 - One CMO Focus
 - Coordinated Actions and Goals
 - Minimize Possible Conflicting Messages
 - Eliminate Confusion Over Ownership
 - Access to Additional Resources



TAG/BPA Consolidation

- Cons against Consolidation
 - TAG Chief Buy-in of IMS
 - Comfort zone driven by experience & background
 - Eliminates and/or complicates direct access to the Commander
 - Potential tug-of-war over priorities & resources
 - Rate of IMS implementation progress at risk



TAG/BPA Consolidation

- Cons against Consolidation
 - Possible reluctance/difficulty identifying and shining the light on TAG OFI's & shortcomings
 - Execution of Assessment Process Tools
 - Execution of Resourcing Process